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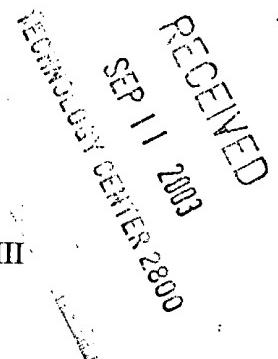
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PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Hiroshi HAJI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2296  
Serial No.: 09/781,563 : Group Art Unit: 2823  
Filed: February 13, 2001 : Examiner: George R. Fourson III  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Response  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2003, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 8, 2003, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.